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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

STROEBEL ET AL.

Examiner

Evan H. Langdon

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 28 November 2006.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-18 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-18 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

Claims 1-5, 9-15 and 18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Shimada et al (US 4,340,186).

Shimada discloses a winding machine, having a carrier device (Fig. 3) for winding a winding for an electrical machine, having at least one group comprising a winding template (16) and an adjacent deflection element (24, 25), wherein the winding template (16) and the adjacent deflection element (24,25) are displaceable relative to one another (Fig. 7A-7C, the tip of elements 24,25 are displaced as they rotate due to their shape).

In regards to claim 2, Shimada discloses wherein one row of groups is followed by a final winding template (Fig 8).

In regards to claim 3, Shimada discloses the carrier device (Fig. 3) is rotatable about a pivot axis (28,b).

In regards to claim 4, Shimada discloses the pivot axis (28) is displaceable relative to the carrier device.

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In regards to claim 5, Shimada discloses winding template (16) has an edge (Fig. 5) on one free end.

In regards to claim 9, Shimada discloses at least one wire can be delivered via a wire guide 27 and the guide is adjustable in accordance with a progress in winding toward a winding cheek.

In regards to claim 10, Shimada discloses the wire guide (27) is adjustable (Fig. 5, spring 13) in accordance with a progress in winding toward a winding cheek (16).

With respect to claims 11-15, the method described in these claims would inherently result from the use of the winding machine of Shimada as advanced above.

With respect to claims 18, the product produced in this claim would inherently result from the method of using the winding machine of Shimada as advanced above.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claims 6-8, 16 and 17 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Shimada in view of Lauer (US 3,765,080).

In regards to claim 6, Lauer teaches a winding template (22, Fig. 16) has at least one separator element (102-106) on its cheek sides.

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It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify the winding template of Shimada to include stepped separator elements as suggested by Lauer, to keep the developing coil turns in path (Lauer col. 9, lines 10-24) and to facilitate releasing of the coil.

In regards to claim 7, Lauer teaches the at least one winding template (22) has at least two stepped rests (102-106), each for at least-one wire, for graduating a coil width within a coil (Fig. 7 and 16).

In regards to claim 8, Lauer teaches the winding template (22) comprises at least two winding cheeks (71,73) that are adjustable relative to one another (col. 8 lines 40-53).

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1-18 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection. The translation of the priority document has been received.

Conclusion

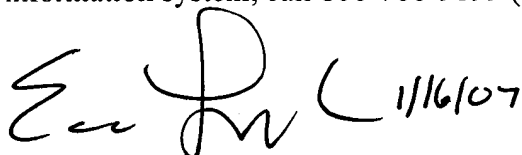
The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Evan H. Langdon whose telephone number is (571)272-6948. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8:30-5:00.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kathy Matecki can be reached on (571) 272-6951. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Evan Langdon', followed by the date '1/16/07' written in a similar cursive style.

Evan Langdon
Patent Examiner